Coon, Carleton Stevens. Measuring Ethiopia and Flight into Arabia. London: Jonathan Cape, 1936.

Pp. 319; 8 plates

Yale: Efbb 933Cb

/This is an account of a trip to Addis Ababa and Arabia in 1933-1934. The author's purpose was to take physical measurements on a series of males in the highland plateau area of Ethiopia. While there is some incidental ethnographic information, the major portion of the book is an account of the author's trials and tribulations in attempting to carry out his fieldwork. He was able to measure some 100 men of the Emperor's army stationed in Addis Ababa. The results obtained from these measurements is reported in 9:Coon, this file. Therefore, this source was not processed for the Amhara file. ---Analyst/

Crawford, O.G.S. Ethiopian Itineraries circa 1400-1524 including Those Collected by Alessandro Zorzi at Venice in the Years 1519-24. Works Issued by the Hakluyt Society, Second Series, No. 109. Cambridge: Published for the Hakluyt Society at the University Press, 1958.

Pp. xxx, 232; 2 plates; 21 maps

Yale: E10.H15 II. 109

/This source is primarily concerned with the Ethiopian Itineraries collected shortly before 1524 by Alessandro Zorzi of Venice. They contain valuable information about the political geography of Ethiopia before the Galla invasions in the 16th century. Little in the way of ethnographic information specific to the Amhara of highland Ethiopia is to be found here. Therefore, this source has not been processed for the Amhara file. --Analyst/

MP5 Amhara

Goadby, F. M. Legal Reform in Abyssinia. Journal of Comparative Legislation, Third Series, vol. 26, Parts III and IV, pp. 64-65. London: Society of Comparative Legislation, 1944.

Yale Law: P50

/This is a short article, largely of historical interest, discussing legal reform with respect to the treatment of foreign nationals in Ethiopia. It has not been processed for the Amhara file. ---Analyst/

Griaule, Marcel. Burners of Men: Modern Ethiopia. Translated from the French by Edwin Gile Rich. Philadelphia: J.B. Lippincott Company, 1935.

Pp. 308; 16 plates; 1 map

Yale: Efbb 929 Gg

/This is a report on a journey from Addis Ababa to Lake Tana about 1930. It is by a professional ethnologist, the author of several books and articles in French on Abysinnia. Although it deals with the Amhara, the book contains very little specific ethnographic information. Therefore, it has not been processed for the Amhara file. -- Analyst/

MP5 Amhara

Guthe, Thorstein. Venereal Diseases in Ethiopia. World Health Organization Bulletin Vol. 2 , Pp. 85-127. New York, 1949.

Yale: Medical Library

/This article by a medical specialist deals with the general problem of venereal disease in Ethiopia. The groups involved are not specified, so that inclusion of this article in the Amhara file was not justified. --Analyst/

Hildebrandt, J.M. Gesammelte Notizen über Land wirthschaft und Viehzucht in Abyssinien und den östlich angrenzenden Ländern. Zeitschrift für Ethnologie, vol. 6 pp. 318-340. Berlin: Berliner Gesellschaft für Anthropologie Ethnologie, und Urgeschichte, 1874.

Yale: Nk10 Z37 v. 6

/This article contains a discussion of agriculture and animal husbandry. These subjects are fully covered in 1:Messing, this file. Therefore, this source has not been processed for the Amhara file. ---Analyst/

Leiris, Michel. La Croyance aux Genies "zar" en Etiopie du Nord. Journal de Psychologie Normale et Pathologique, Vol. 1-2, Pp. 108-126. Paris: 1938

/This article reports on the Zar cult at Gondar on the Highland Plateau area of Ethiopia. The same cult was observed and reported at length by Messing (source No. 1, this file) in 1953-54. The source has not been processed because it duplicates the material by Messing. --Analyst/

Leiris, Michel. La Possession et ses Aspects Theatraux chez les Ethiopiens de Gondar. L'Homme, Cahiers d'Ethnologie, de Geographie et de Linguistique No. 1. Paris: Librairie Plon, 1958.

Pp. 103

/The subject matter of this book is psychological, but no tests were administered and the approach is ethnological. As the author stayed only three months in the field and did not learn the language, he depended largely upon information supplied by a Coptic priest hostile to the "Zar"cult in which possessions take place. Comparisons are made with a number of tribes, but the obviously related "Saka" cult of Kenya is not mentioned. This source has not been processed for the Amhara file because the specific ethnographic data is duplicated in 1:Messing. ---Analyst/

Le'slau, Wolf. Preliminary Report on a Trip to Ethiopia. Transactions of the New York Academy of Sciences, Series 2, Vol. 10, pp. 291-297. New York, 1948.

Yale: A53n 558 II. 10-11

/This is an interesting report of a trip in 1946-1947 to survey the various Semitic languages of Ethiopia although little in the way of ethnographic information is contained. There is some indication of the distribution and present-day conditions of various Semitic language speakers--Amharic, Tigre, Harari, Gurage, etc. Since so little information on the Amhara is presented, this source has not been processed for the Amhara file. --Analyst/

Leslau, Wolf. Report on a Second Trip to Ethiopia. Word, Vol. 8, pp. 72-79. New York: Linguistic Circle of New York, 1952.

Yale: F10 W89 8

/This is a report on the author's field trip to Ethiopia in 1950 in order to supplement data gathered during a first trip there in 1946-1947. It contains incidental information on the distribution of languages and way of life of various non-Amhara peoples in and around Addis Ababa. Since it contains little information on the Amhara, this source has not been processed for the Amhara file. ---Analyst/

Leslau, Wolf. A Year of Research in Ethiopia. Word, Vol. 4, pp. 212-225. New York: Linguistic circle of New York, 1948.

Yale: F10 W89 4

/This is another report on the author's trip to Ethiopia in 1946-1947, a report on which appeared also in the Transactions of the New York Academy of Science. Ser. 2, Vol. 10, pp. 291-297, 1948. The report in Word stresses the study of linguistics and contains many useful hints for the student intending to do field research in Ethiopia. There is little in the way of useful ethnographic information not contained in other sources processed for the Amhara file. ---Analyst/

Littman, Enno. Publications of the Princeton Expedition to Abyssinia. 4 volumes, Leyden: E.J. Brill, 1910-1915.

Yale: Foj7 P93 v. 1-4B

/Although entitled Abyssinia, the material in these volumes pertains to the As Sheikh, Maria, Mensa and other tribes of the Tigre nation in what is now Eritrea. These people speak a Semitic language (Tigre) akin to Amharic and Tigrinya (of Tigre province) in highland Ethiopia. The volumes consist of specimens of literature, songs and dirges, based on texts collected in the field and in Germany from a Tigre-speaking informant. The latter came from Geleb, in east-central Eritrea. There are some ethnological data included, particularly on pp. 101 ff. of Vol. 2. Since these volumes contain no information on the Amhara, they have not been processed for the Amhara file.---Analyst/

Littman, Enno. Specimens of the Popular Literature of Modern Abyssinia. Jouranl of the American Oriental Society, Vol. 23, pp. 51-55. New Haven, 1902.

Yale: Fd12 Am35 23[1]

/This article contains some early specimens of Tigre texts, later expanded and added to in the author's Princeton Expedition publications. Since no information on the Amhara is presented, this source has not been processed for the Amhara file. --Analyst/

MP5 Amhara

Messing, Simon D. Changing Ethiopia. The Middle East Journal, Vol. 9, pp. 413-432. Washington: The Middle East Institute, 1955.

Yale: Bj59a M58 9

/This is an interesting article on present-day agencies of cultural change in Ethiopia, particularly in the Coptic Christian highland plateau area. The role of the Emperor, the Church, westernization, changing values, etc. are discussed. Practically all of this information is contained in the author's dissertation, 1:Messing, this file. Therefore, this article has not been processed for the Amhara file. ---Analyst/

Messing, Simon D. Further Comments on Resin-Coated Pottery: Ethiopia. American Anthropologist, Vol. 59, p. 134./ Menasha: American Anthropological Association, 1957.

Yale: Nk10 AM37 II59

/This is a very brief article describing practices of pottery making; the source has not been processed for the Files because the subject was considered to be adquately treated in 1:Messing./

MP5 Amhara

Messing, Simon D. Group Therapy and Social Status in the Zar Cult of Ethiopia. American Anthropologist, Vol. 60, pp 1120-1126. Menasha: American Anthropological Association, 1958.

Yale: Nk10 AM37 II60

/This article is concerned with spirit healing practices, practioners, patients, and social status among the Amhara cults. The source has not been processed for the Files because the subject was considered to be adequately treated in 1: Messing./

Messing, Simon D. Notes on the Role of Applied Political Science in Anthropological Field Work. Human Organization, Vol. 17, No. 2, pp. 31-33. Ithaca, New York: The Society for Applied Anthropology, 1958.

/This article is primarily concerned with methods of establishing rapport between the investigator and the native people, both on official diplomatic and informal local levels. The author draws on his own experiences in Ethiopia, and although some reference is made to local customs and the reception of alien persons, the information presented was not considered to constitute a significant addition to that contained in 1:Messing; consequently, the source has not been processed for the Files./

Mittwoch, Eugen. Popular Amharic Texts. Journal Royal African Society, "Africa" Supplement. Vol. 41. Pp. 260-261. London, 1942

Yale: Bk2 4 41

/This short collection of Amharic folk tales was collected by the author, "years ago," from unspecified informants at an undesignated location. In addition to several fables or folk tales, three children's games are described. Because of the uncertain nature of the material and the circumstances under which it was collected, this source has not been processed for the Amhara file. --Analyst/

Munzinger, Werner. East African Studies /Ostafrikanische Studien/. Schaffhausen: Fr. Hurtersche Buchhandlung, 1864.

Pp. viii, 584; end map.

Yale: Nkd78 864m

/This source, by a member of the German expedition of 1861, gives details of travel through Eritrea and the Sudan. The group did not penetrate as far south as the main Amhara area so that information on this group isscanty. The source has not therefore been processed for the MP5 Amhara file. --Analyst/

MP5 Amhara

Nadel, Siegfried Frederick. Land Tenure on the Eritrean Plateau. Africa, Vol. 16, pp. 1-23, 99-110. London: International African Institute, 1946.

Yale: Bk2 10 16

/This article contains a detailed discussion of the principles and problems of land tenure among the Tigrinya nation of northern Ethiopia (Tigre province) and adjacent Eritrea. This source contains information on a variety of customs which closely parallel those found among the related Amhara of highland Ethiopia. ---Analyst/

Parkyns, Mansfield. Life in Abyssinia; Being Notes Collected during Three Years' Residence and Travels in That Country. 2 Vols. New York: D. Appleton and Company, 1854.

Vol. I, pp. 350, 5 plates, 1 text figure; Vol. II, pp. 355; 5 plates

Yale: Efbb 847Pb v. 1-2

/The author spent three years in the area of Axum in Tigre province in highland Ethiopia. Vol. 2, in particular, contains a wealth of first-hand information on the life and customs of the Tigrinya nation, a Semitic-speaking, Coptic Christian people closely related to the Amhara. This source offers eye-witness accounts (at an early date) of a variety of customs which closely parallel those found among the Amhara (e.g., those surrounding the bouda or "evil eye," litigation, etc.)---Analyst/

MP5 Amhara

Rohrer, Ernst Friedrich. Beiträge zur Kenntnis der materiellen Kultur der Amhara. Schönburg-Bern: Buckdruckerei Willi P. Wälchli, 1932.

Pp. 176; 14 plates; 30 text figures, incl. 1 mpa

Yale: Nkd78 A2 932r

/This is a doctoral dissertation based on an examination of specimens in ethnological museums at Bern, Basel, Stuttgart, Berlin and Paris. In addition, private collections were examined. There are complete descriptions of objects and techniques. Although the author generalizes about Amhara culture, the specimens examined include Galla, Somali, Gurage and other peoples in the area. Since 1:Messing, this file, covers the material culture of the Amhara, this source has not been processed for the Amhara file. ---Analyst/

Sanford, C. Ethiopia Under Haile Selassie. London:1946

/This source is a general survey of Ethiopia during the reign of Haile Selassie, before, during and after the Italian occupation and subsequent expulsion by British forces during World War II. Little specific information on the Amharic peoples is contained.--Analyst/

MP5 Amhara

Talbot, David Abner. Contemporary Ethiopia. New York: Philosophical Library, 1952.

/This source, by an American newspaper editor, is a general survey of the contemporary Ethiopian situation. The information included, while valuable as a background study of Ethiopia, is not sufficiently detailed to be of value in a file on the Amhara. -- Analyst/

MP5 Amhara

Walker, Craven H. The Abyssinian at Home. London: The Sheldon Press, 1933.

Pp. 220

Yale: Day Missions.

/This book deals with such subjects as marriage, the Church, the law, birth, inheritance, etc. The author, who was for many years with the Sudan Civil Service and later British Consul for Western Ethiopia (stationed at Gorĕ), collected the information in the course of learning Amharic.

There is considerable information in this book and the researcher is advised to consult it as a supplement to such sources as 1:Messing in this file. The author's experience, however, was primarily in a Galla (non-Amharic) area and there is a strong probability that his data were derived from highly selected and relatively few individuals. For these reasons, this source has not been processed for the Amhara file.---Analyst/

MP5 Amhara

Woolbert, Robert C. The Peoples of Ethiopia. Foreign Affairs, Vol. 14, pp. 340-344. New York, 1936.

Yale: Oz10 F76 v.14

/This article is a short survey of linguistic groups in Ethiopia. A language map is included. Nothing of importance is contained that is not in sources already included in this file. Therefore, this source has not been processed for the Amhara file. --- Analyst/